

What is claimed is

- 1        1. A cathode-ray tube device comprising:
  - 2              a phosphor screen; and
  - 3              a cold cathode electron gun that includes
    - 4                  (a) a cold cathode having a field emitter array that
    - 5                  emits a beam of electrons toward the phosphor screen, and
    - 6                  a gate electrode that controls the emission,
  - 7              (b) a first grid electrode that is positioned between
  - 8              the cold cathode and the phosphor screen,
  - 9              (c) a second grid electrode that is positioned between
  - 10             the first grid electrode and the phosphor screen,
  - 11             (d) an electron speed control unit operable to accelerate
  - 12             the electrons that have passed through the gate electrode,
  - 13             by a greater degree as a beam current carried by the beam
  - 14             of the electrons is larger, and
  - 15             (e) a lens strength control unit operable to enhance
  - 16             a lens strength of an electron lens that is formed by the
  - 17             gate electrode, the first grid electrode, and the second grid
  - 18             electrode, by a greater degree as the beam current is larger.

- 1        2. The cathode-ray tube device of Claim 1,
  - 2            wherein a distance from the gate electrode to one edge
  - 3            of the first grid electrode closer to the phosphor screen
  - 4            in a thickness direction of the first grid electrode is in

5 a range of 0.10 to 0.35 mm inclusive.

1           3. The cathode-ray tube device of Claim 1,  
2         wherein the first grid electrode has a through-hole that  
3         allows the beam of the electrons to pass through, and  
4         a diameter of the through-hole is in a range of 0.15  
5         to 0.60 mm inclusive.

1           4. The cathode-ray tube device of Claim 1,  
2         wherein a potential of the first grid electrode is lower  
3         than a potential of the gate electrode, regardless of an amount  
4         of the beam current, and  
5         the potential of the gate electrode is higher as the  
6         beam current is larger.

1           5. The cathode-ray tube device of Claim 1,  
2         wherein the cold cathode includes a peripheral focusing  
3         electrode that is provided on a periphery of the gate electrode,  
4         that has a thickness substantially equal to a thickness of  
5         the gate electrode, and that has a lower potential than the  
6         gate electrode.

1           6. The cathode-ray tube device of Claim 5,  
2         wherein the peripheral focusing electrode and the first  
3         grid electrode are integrally formed.

1           7. The cathode-ray tube device of Claim 1,  
2       wherein the lens strength control unit enhances the lens  
3       strength to form a crossover in the beam of the electrons,  
4       at one side of the gate electrode closer to the phosphor screen.